## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A tTGase inhibitor of the formula:

wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are independently selected from H, alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, alkoxy, alkylthio, arakyl, aralkenyl, halo, haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, heterocyclyl, and heterocyclylalkyl groups, an amino acid, a peptide, a peptidomimetic, or a peptidic protecting group; wherein  $R_2$  can additionally be selected from the group consisting of LPYPQPQLPY, LPFPQPQLPF-NH<sub>2</sub>, LPYPQPQLP, LPYPQPQLPYPQPQPF, LP-X<sub>2-15</sub>, where  $X_{2-15}$  is a peptide consisting of any 2-15 amino acid residues followed by a C-terminal proline;  $R_3$  is selected from F, I, Cl, and Br; n is from 0 to 10; and X is selected from the group consisting of O and NH,

other than {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-phenylethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester.

- 15 2. The inhibitor of Claim 1, wherein R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of BnO, Me, Cbz, Fmoc, Boc, PQP, Ac-PQP, PQPQLPYPQP, Ac-PQPQLPFPQP, QLQPFPQP, LQLQPFPQPLPYPQP, X<sub>2-15</sub>-P, where X<sub>2-15</sub> is a peptide consisting of any 2-15 amino acid residues followed by a N-terminal proline.
- 3. The inhibitor of Claim 1, wherein R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of (S)-Bn, (S)-CO<sub>2</sub>Me, (S)-Me, (R)-Bn, (S)-CH<sub>2</sub>CONHBn, (S)-(1*H*-inol-yl)-methyl, (S)-(4-hydrohy-phenyl)-methyl, OMe, OtBu, Gly, Gly-NH<sub>2</sub>, LPY, LPF-NH<sub>2</sub>.
  - 4. The inhibitor of Claim 1, wherein R₃ is Br.

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- 5. The inhibitor of Claim 1, wherein said tTGase inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of:
- {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-phenyl-ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; (S)-2-Benzyloxycarbonylamino-4-[(3-bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-butyric acid methyl ester; (S)-2-Benzyloxycarbonylamino-N-(3-bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-succinamic acid methyl ester; (S)-2-Benzyloxycarbonylamino-3-phenyl-propionic acid 3-bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; (S)-2-Acetylamino-N-(3-bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-phenyl-propionamide; {(R)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-phenyl-

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ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-2-Benzylcarbamoyl-1-[(3-bromo-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; [(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-methyl-carbamoyl]-2-phenyl-ethyl}carbamic acid benzyl ester; [(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-methyl-5 carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzyl ester; 1-(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-phenyl-urea; 1-(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-(2chloro-5-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-urea; 1-(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-(4chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-urea; 1-(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-(4fluoro-phenyl)-urea; 1-(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-(2,5-dimethyl-phenyl)-10 urea; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)carbamoyl]-2-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(5-hydroxy-1H-indol-3-yl)-15 ethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid pyridin-4-ylmethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid pyridin-3-ylmethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid phenethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-20 isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid naphthalen-2ylmethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-ethyl}-carbamic acid 1,1-dioxo-1H-1λ6-benzo[b]thiophen-2-ylmethyl ester; {(S)-1-[(3-Bromo-4,5-dihydro-isoxazol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-2-(5-hydroxy-1H-indol-3-yl)-ethyl}carbamic acid 1,1-dioxo-1H-1λ6-benzo[b]thiophen-2-ylmethyl ester. 25

## 6. A tTGase inhibitor of the formula:

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$$R_1$$
 $R_2$ 
 $R_3$ 

where  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are independently selected from H, a halo group, alkyl, aryl, and  $NO_2$ .

7. The tTGase inhibitor of Claim 11, wherein said inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of:

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2,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indole-5-sulfonic acid propylamide; 2,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indole-5-sulfonic acid benzylamide; (S)-1-(2,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indole-5-sulfonyl)-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid methyl ester; (S)-2-(2,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indole-5-sulfonylamino)-3-phenyl-propionamide; (S)-N-(2-Dimethylamino-ethyl)-2-(2,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indole-5-sulfonyl amino)-3-phenyl-propionamide; 6-Bromo-7-methyl-1H-indole-2,3-dione; 7-Methyl-6-phenyl-1H-indole-2,3-dione

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- 8. A formulation for use in treatment of Celiac Sprue and/or dermatitis herpetiformis, comprising:
- an effective dose of the tTGase inhibitor according to any of claims 1-7 and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
- 9. A method of treating Celiac Sprue and/or dermatitis herpetiformis, the method comprising:

administering to a patient an effective dose of a formulation according to Claim 8; wherein said tTGase inhibitor attenuates gluten toxicity in said patient

- 10. The method of Claim 9, wherein said formulation is administered with a glutenase.
- 11. The method according to Claim 9, wherein said formulation is administered orally.
- 12. The method according to Claim 9, wherein said formulation comprises an enteric coating.